

PROCLAMATION

In recognition of Idaho National Laboratory's 60th Anniversary

WHEREAS, Idaho National Laboratory (INL) and its predecessor institutions - the National Reactor Testing Station, Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, Argonne National Laboratory-West and the Idaho National Engineering and Environment Laboratory - have contributed six decades of outstanding scientific achievement for the benefit of our nation and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, INL and its predecessor institutions have blazed the trail for the nation's development of civilian nuclear energy through the construction and operation of more than fifty first-of-their-kind nuclear reactors, including Experimental Breeder Reactor-I which generated the world's first usable electricity from nuclear power, and proved reactors could produce (breed) more fuel than they consume; and

WHEREAS, INL today operates the Advanced Test Reactor, a truly unique machine for conducting the materials and fuels research needed to maintain and expand the beneficial use of civilian nuclear energy, and has recently created opportunities for enhanced energy research and policy development through the dedication and commencement of full operation of the Center for Advanced Energy Studies (CAES); and

WHEREAS, INL serves as a stabilizing economic engine for the State of Idaho and the region as the largest employer in eastern Idaho and the second largest in the state; and


WHEREAS, the residents of Idaho Falls enjoy the benefits of INL's presence through employment and subcontracting opportunities, as well as through the philanthropic and charitable contributions of the lab's staff and community programs;

Now therefore, I, Jared D. Fuhriman, Mayor of the city of Idaho Falls, Idaho do hereby celebrate the

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For their outstanding scientific research and accomplishment for the public benefit, and wish the lab continued success in all its future endeavors.

Signed and sealed this 18th day of May, 2009


Jared D. Fuhriman
Mayor, City of Idaho Falls

